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The hon, the PRESIDENT: -" The question is not admissible."

Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar:—" May I know what amount was contributed by the Government of India and what amount by the local Government?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan: —" I cannot give that information off-hand."

Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar:—' May I know how much money was spent on this Marine Villa scheme?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan: -- "I cannot give that information either off-hand."

Mr. Bashfer Ahmad Saxeed:—" May I know when the building is likely to be completed?"

The hon, Dr. P. Subbarayan: —"I cannot give any definite information."

Mr. M. A. Manikkavelu Nayakar:—" May I know who advised about the suitability of the Marine Villa scheme ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :- "I want notice."

Progress in the classification of books in the University Library.

- \*851 Q.—Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED: Will the hon, the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—
- (a) when the classification of books in the University Library will be completed; what is the progress so far made, in what period of time and at what cost;
- (b) what attempts, if any, have been made by the Government to bring out a complete, up-to-date and consolidated catalogue of books in the Connemara Library, and when the same will be made available to the public;
  - (c) when a complete catalogue was first published; and
- (d) whether any additional staff is required for this purpose, and if so, whether the Government will sanction the same?
  - A.—(a) The University Library is not under the control of the Government. The hon, Member may obtain the requisite particulars from the Syndicate of the University.
    - (b) & (d) Proposals for the employment of a temporary staff for the preparation of a consolidated catalogue of the books in the library are under the consideration of the Government. The Principal Librarian states that, if the temporary staff is sanctioned, the work will be ready for the Press by March 1929.
    - (c) The first author catalogue of the books in the library was published in 1908 and supplementary lists were subsequently issued every three or four years.